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TO: Interested Parties – NOVA Grant Program

FROM: Laura Johnson, Director

SUBJECT: Nonhighway and Off-road Vehicle Activities (NOVA) Program

Advisory Committee Opening ~ Hunting - Fishing

The Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (IAC) is seeking applicants to fill an opening for a representative of the hunting-fishing community on its NOVA Advisory Committee. I encourage interested persons to apply by completing the attached form.

This is an exciting time for NOVA as the Committee works with IAC in charting a redefined program after the March 2004 passage of SHB 2489. In recent months, there have been significant changes in NOVA's legislation (RCW 46.09), fund distribution formulas, and advisory committee.

The Advisory Committee provides counsel and review on NOVA Program issues, including project selection, policies, and procedures. Work in which the Committee provides review and comment includes:

- New program policy and procedure manuals, including project evaluation instruments.
- Administrative codes.
- New grant proposals (technical review is November 3-29, 2004; project evaluations are January 24-28, 2005; and post project evaluations are February 15, 2005).

It could be said that an ideal person for this position understands the needs of huntersfishers and also regularly communicates with these recreationists. Such a person has some familiarity with NOVA Grant Program issues, has the time and interest to participate in Committee activities, actively works for win-win solutions and seeks creative solutions.

The position carries a term of three years, beginning August 2004. IAC's goal is to ensure that Committee appointees represent the full range of Washington's geographic, cultural, gender, physical ability, and age characteristics. A copy of Committee Policies and Charter (provides information regarding the purpose, duties, membership, and selection of the committee) is available by contacting IAC.

The application deadline is July 31, 2004. Please convey any questions and your completed application (attached) to Greg Lovelady (360/ 902-3008, Gregl@iac.wa.gov).